
CHAPTER 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 PURPOSE

This Supply Bulletin (SB) provides procedures and guidance for operating a uniform supply system for all medical logistical units, both Table of Distribution and Allowances (TDA) and Modified Table of Organization and Equipment (MTOE) organizations.

1.2 ABBREVIATIONS

Explanation of abbreviations and terms are contained in the Glossary Section of this Supply Bulletin.

1.3 REQUESTING CLARIFICATION

- a. The chain of command will be used to request clarification of the provisions and requirements in this publication.
- b. A memorandum will be used when making a clarification request. The memorandum will include the following:
 - (1) Page and paragraph in question.
 - (2) Requester's name and Defense Switching Network (DSN) phone number.
- c. Each element in the chain of command receiving a clarification request will try to answer it. The clarification request will be sent to the next higher staff element when it cannot be answered. This procedure will assure that available knowledge and skills are used and the quickest possible answer is given. Requests received outside of command channels will be returned through channels.

1.4 REQUESTING DEVIATION AUTHORITY

Deviations from procedures in this SB will be made only with prior approval from Headquarters, U.S. Army Medical Command (USAMEDCOM). The *Defense Finance and Accounting Service - Indianapolis (DFAS-IN) Regulation 37-1* will be used to prepare and process request for deviation from accounting procedures. Requests for deviation or waivers should explain the need for the waiver, how long it will last, how the waiver will help accomplish the mission, and how the end results will be measured. The request should include an opinion by the United States Army Medical Command legal officer.